(d) Under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) launched in April 2005, emphasis has been laid to provide accessible, affordable, accountable, effective, reliable, and quality primary health care to the poor and vulnerable sections of the country through creation of a cadre of Accredited Social Health Activities (ASHA), improved hospital care, decentralization of programme to district level to improve intra and inter-sectoral convergence, rationalisation of man-power deployment, contractual appointments and effective utilization of resources. Implementation of NRHM strategies envisage increase of expenditure on health sector from the current level of 0.9% of GDP to 2.3 % GDP over the next five years.

Dengue in Delhi

2078. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is every chance of spreading dengue in Delhi this year;

(b) if so, the number of dengue cases registered this year; and

(c) what are the remedial steps Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) As on 22.8.2007, a total number of 11 (eleven) cases were reported from NCT of Delhi. Out of eleven, seven cases were from NCT Delhi. In 2006 upto this period, 65 cases were reported in Delhi. The zone-wise distribution of cases reported is given in Statement (*See* below).

(c) **Prevention and Control**

- Continued anti dengue operations e.g. domestic breeding checking, focal spray as anti larval activities are being carried out in NCT of Delhi by Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) and New Delhi Municipal Committee (NDMC). 12152350 houses have been checked for Domestic Breeding; 45638 houses have been found positive for breeding; 40366 houses have been issued legal notice and 7335 persons have been challaned from 1.1.2007 to 18.8.2007.

- 2800 Domestic Breeding Checkers (DBCs) have been engaged by MCD. NDMC has also engaged 100 DBCs.

- 30 Sentinel Surveillance Hospitals for dengue have been identified. Dengue detection kits have also been supplied to 20 hospitals.

- Guidelines on prevention and control of Dengue/Chikungunya have been circulated to all Hospitals.

- Regular review meetings are being taken by Health Minister of Government of NCT of Delhi. There are also regular reviews in Ministry of Health.

IEC activities

- Advertisements are being given in Newspapers inviting NGOs/RWAs to collaborate with MCD for prevention and control of vector borne diseases and for creating public awareness.
- Municipal Councillors were sensitized on prevention and control of vector borne diseases.
- NDMC conducted a meeting on vector borne diseases awareness campaign programme for Principals of schools on 26.7.2007.

Statement

Zone-wise distribution of Dengue cases reported

Sl. No.	Zone (Delhi)	Dengue Cases	State	Dengue Cases
1.	Shahdara (North)	1	Uttar Pradesh	1
2.	Shahdara (South)	1	Rajasthan	1
3.	Civil Line	0	Others	2
4.	Rohini	1		
5.	City	0		
6.	Sadar Pahar Ganj	0		
7.	Karol Bagh	0		
8.	West	1		
9.	Central	0		
10.	South	2		
11.	Narela	0		
12.	Najafgarh	0		
13.	N.D.M.C.	0		
14.	Delhi Cantt.	0		
15.	Railway	0		
16.	Untraced after Investigation	1		
	TOTAL: (a)	7	TOTAL: (b)	4
	Grand Total (a+b) = 11			